

1 VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

2 Title of Invention

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4 America, residing at 1130 Duchow Way #7, Folsom, California, 95630. Home  
5 phone 916-961-1785, invented on August 28th, 2001, a product known as the  
6 Edge-it.

7 Background of the invention

8 (1) The filed-of endeavor for which the invention pertains is a Utility Patent  
9 Application.

10 (2) There are no references to specific documents related to this invention.  
11 However, standard fold-up table edges, computer desk edges and  
12 miscellaneous table edges are known to be rough and uncomfortable. In  
13 addition, chemicals used to clean the surfaces irritate the skin of forearms and  
14 elbows of the user.

15 (3) This invention slipped over a table's edge is intended to protect users arms  
16 from the afore mentioned conditions.

17 Brief summary of the invention

18 (1) This invention is a U shaped plexiglas channel wrapped with a neoprene pad  
19 that slips over the edge of a table to protect the user's arm from rough edges  
20 and/or cleaning residue remaining on the table surface.

21 Brief description of the several views of the drawings

22 (A) Figure 1 - 3 Dimensional view 11, 3/16" plexiglas 12, 3/16" neoprene 13, 1/2"  
23 radius.

24 (B) Figure 2 - Top view 11, 3/16" plexiglas 12, 3/16" neoprene 13, 1/2" radius.

25 (C) Figure 3 - Front view illustrates spacing of the channel opening 11, 3/16"  
26 plexiglas 12, 3/16" neoprene 13, 1/2" radius.

27 (D) Figure 4 - Left side view illustrates the tapered height from front to back of the  
28 channel opening 11, 3/16" plexiglas 12, 3/16" neoprene 13, 1/2" radius.

29 (E) Figure 5 - Right side view illustrates the same description as Figure 4 in  
30 reverse.

31 (F) Figure 6 - This drawing illustrates an example of the use of the channel on a  
32 table edge. 14, the EDGE-IT 15, a standard 3/4" table edge 16, illustrates the  
33 EDGE-IT sliding on and off the table.

1 Detailed Description of the invention

- 2 (1) This invention is an arm pad that fits on the edge of any standard 3/4" fold up  
3 table or 3/4" miscellaneous table.
- 4 (2) The channel shaped product is designed with a smaller dimension at the  
5 opening of the channel to slide on and hold tightly over a table edge.
- 6 (3) This channel used on the table edge in front of where the user sits, is designed  
7 to protect the forearms and elbows from sharp or uncomfortable table edges.  
8 This will also protect the user from chemical residue remaining on the table  
9 after cleaning.
- 10 (4) This product will be manufactured out of 3/16" plastic or Plexiglas through  
11 injection molding in one U shaped solid piece. Exterior surfaces will be  
12 wrapped with a neoprene or similar padding. The padding could be an  
13 adhesive backed material, or a separate adhesive may be used to apply the  
14 neoprene.
- 15 (5) The unique features of this product that distinguishes it from other inventions  
16 is the size. This product as illustrated on the drawings as a channel 2 1/2" wide  
17 by 8" long by 1 5/8" high. Other sizes would be available.
- 18 (6) Another unique feature that differs from other products is that if and when the  
19 neoprene gets soiled or damages on one side, it can be flipped over to the  
20 opposite side.
- 21 (continued)
- 22 (7) The primary market for which this product is related to is the Bingo Industry.  
23 Due to it's size, it is easy to carry in bingo bags, purses or any small carry bags.
- 24 (8) Another unique feature would be the various amounts of colors the neoprene  
25 padding could be marketed with.
- 26 (9) This product will also be produced in various lengths or sizes.
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DRAWING AMENDMENT

See the drawing pages enclosed with the deletions marked in red.

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REMARKS

The Examiner accepted the drawings but then alleges that certain numbers are not discussed in the text. Resubmission of the replacement of the drawings and specification are submitted herewith as per 37 CFR 1.125. Since the original claims have been canceled, the Examiner's comments about the claims and the numbering is deemed moot.

The rejection under 35 USC 112 need not be commented upon as the claims subject to the rejection have been canceled. Claims 2 and 5 were rejected over James 4,554,039, under 35USC 102. The Examiner is in error, as the device of James is padded, whereas the inventive device is not padded. The device of applicant has only two layers, material of neoprene or the like over a layer of channel made of acrylic or other plastic. There are only two layers, not three as in the reference. Applicant has no padding while one could make an argument that a covering over plastic is old the reference does not show a two element item and thus should be withdrawn.

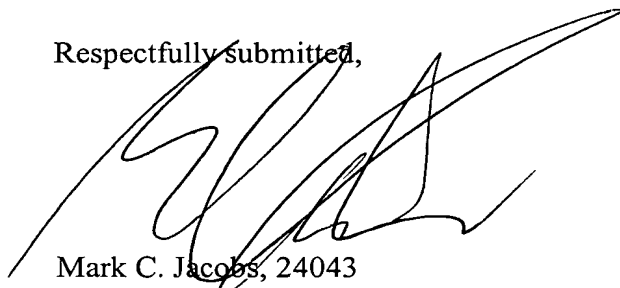
As to claim 4, Miller is not U-shaped. And again, Miller has three layers while applicant has only two. Thus in combination with James, the claim is not met. Note how Miller is not U-shaped but arcuate.

These comments apply to any and all claims to which the combination of Miller and James are applied.

The claims are believed to be allowable over the cited art.

The nonapplied art is not commented upon. Formal drawings will be filed upon notice of an allowable claim.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark C. Jacobs', is written over the typed name.

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